Merchant & Gould

An Intellectual Property Law Firm

CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAR 2 2 2004

3200 IDS Center **BO South Eighth Street** Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-2215 USA TEL 612.332.5300 FAX 612.332.9081 www.merchant-

A Professional Corporation

gould.com

Fax Transmission

March 22, 2004

TQ:

Commissioner for Patents

FROM:

Mark DiPietro

Attn: Examiner Alicia A. Chevalier

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

OUR REF:

9340.680USI1

Total pages, including cover letter: 7

PTO FAX NUMBER 1-703-872-9306

If you do NOT receive all of the pages, please telephone us at 612.371.5375, or fax us at 612.332.9081.

Title of Document Transmitted:

Request for Continued Examination Under 37

C.F.R. §1.114 and Amendment

Applicant:

Giuseppe Puppin

Serial No.:

09/522,353

Filed:

03/09/2000

Group Art Unit: 1662

Our Ref. No.:

9340.680USI1

Confirmation No. 3094

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$770.00 for RCE Filing Fee (Fee Code 1801/2801). Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725. Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate.

Reg. No.: 28,707

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

Darlene M. Stack

March 22, 2004

S/N 09/522,353

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

GIUSEPPE PUPPIN

Examiner:

ALICIA A. CHEVALIER

Serial No.:

09/522,353

Group Art Unit:

1662

Filed:

03/09/2000

Docket No.:

9340.680USI1

Confirmation No.

3094

Title:

HINGED THERMOPLASTIC-FABRIC REINFORCED STRUCTURAL

MEMBER, PROFILE AND METHODS THEREFORE

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the required fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

MERCHANT & GOULD P.C.

P.O. Box 2903

Minneapolis, MN 55402-0903

612/332-5300

Date: 22 Ma '04

Mark DiPietro

Reg. No. 28,707

K:\clients\09\09340\680USI1\P-RCE App.doc

23552
PATENT TRADEMARK OPPIC